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MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Auction.

3 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at 'Queen's' The Peak, the residence of Staff-Surgeon Canton, R.N.

Meeting.

9.00 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Annon remaining unclaimed at Noon after this date subject to rent and landing charges.

Goods per Glenlivet not cleared on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 17.

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Pyming Mining Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

3 p.m.—Auction of Race Horses and Ponies, at opposite the City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, February 18.

3.15 p.m.—Meeting of Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, at Chamber Room, City Hall.

THURSDAY, February 19.

Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 28th March, inclusive.

Goods per Komatara not cleared on this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 20.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of Hongkong Rifle Association at the Hongkong Hotel.

Goods per Bengal not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per Hamburg undelivered after this date subject to rent.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1903.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

On Wednesday next, a special meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held in the City Hall to discuss the vexed question of the local currency. The subject is so important that, doubtless, there will be a full attendance of members. It is too much to expect unanimity on the question of gold and silver standards, but on one point at least there should be unanimity; that is on the proposal to obtain expert assistance to consider and report on what is best in the interests of Hongkong. This, we understand, will be the gist of the proposal to be submitted to the meeting; and while it is possible to argue against the adoption of a gold standard, we fail to see why there should be an atom of opposition to enquiry. The great desideratum is fixity of exchange, within reasonable limits. Fixity will give stability to one set of conditions under which trade is conducted here; it will be beneficial to most residents and injurious to few, if any, and it will encourage capitalists to invest their money in the Colony. We understand that the local Chinese are strongly in favour of the gold standard, and as they are as important a factor in the trade of the Colony as the European and American merchants their views ought to carry weight at Downing Street, if not in official circles in Hongkong. Last night, we printed a portion of Sir Frank Swettenham's despatch to the Colonial Secretary. It shows that the Straits officials have been considering the question from the standpoint of the Colony's welfare. There is no reason to believe that similar anxiety for the Colony's best interests has not prevailed in Hongkong official circles; and it will no doubt be found, when local despatches are given to the public, that Sir Frank Swettenham does not stand alone in taking an intelligent interest in the Colony he governs. In Hongkong, however, the mercantile community has given no authoritative hint to the local Government that an enquiry should be held, but should Wednesday's meeting adopt the resolution to be submitted to it, the hands of the Government will be strengthened and any official representations made from Hongkong will carry more weight in London.

Boeking for the Broughs.

The looking for the Broughs' season proceeds apace. Already the plans for the opening nights make the financial success of the engagement a foregone conclusion.

Faked Bank-Notes.

A number of faked bank notes—principally ten dollars S. S. notes—are in circulation at Penang; the notes have been carefully altered to a semblance of fifty dollar ones.

New Names for Old Vices.

The tendency of the age is to find excuses (says the Spectator) to persuade ourselves that an action which at first sight looks detestably bad is in reality not one which the community ought to punish severely and swiftly, but one for which we should try to find 'extenuating circumstances'; to persuade ourselves, in fact, that black is seldom anything more than a worst dark-grey, and that in some cases it is white to all intents and purposes. If a financier organises a gigantic swindle, or a clever woman ruins a hundred men, no vindictive punishment follows; it is decided to be inconvenient to prosecute, or men find themselves laughing that there are still so many fools in the world. If a woman kills her paramour, or a man in a passion slays a nagging wife, the first thought may be of the rope, but the second is of a petition to the Home Secretary. Last, if the marriage tie is broken—especially in high places—there is an immediate tendency to invest with a mist of romance and protest-finding what is nothing better than weakness and vulgarity. Is the tendency good or bad? . . . If the people decide that they are only going to hang men and old or ugly women, you come perilously near the doctrine that before a woman commits a murder she must look in the glass. . . . Murder, swindling, and adultery are ugly words, but no nation has been, or ever will be, the better for using pleasant synonyms for crime.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

14th February 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

H.M.S. Thetis sailed from Malta for Hongkong on the 11th ult.

The statement that the British War Office is about to take measures for the increase of the Cavalry is contradicted.

It is stated that fifteen thousand invitations have been issued for the Century Ball at Calcutta on the 26th ult.

The Hampshire Regiment is being transferred from India to Aden for Bombay Commission work in the hinterland.

Captain Doughty, of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, has been sent to Somaliland for transport work, along with a number of other officers from India.

During the week ending Jan 31, there were 200 deaths in Singapore, giving a death rate of 41.32 per thousand. Of these 22 occurred on St. John's. Fifty six of the deaths were due to fever and 25 to beri beri.

We understand that Lieutenant Herbert Grant Smith, 2nd East Yorkshire Regiment, has been appointed to the Indian Staff Corps, and arrived in Bombay by the P. and O. transport Assaye on the 29th ult.

The Municipal Officers will enjoy this. Calling in quest of the Insanitary Department at Liverpool Town Hall, a woman asked for the 'Insane Department'. She spent a fatiguing morning. Each branch referred her to some other branch.

Naval Medical Service.

The Admiralty is much concerned at the condition of the naval medical service. It is stated to be a fact that there is an increasing indisposition on the part of medical men to join the service, and at the last examination for thirty-five vacancies, advertised for competition, only twenty-one candidates presented themselves. Two of these were disqualified for physical reasons. The fact is that the financial inducements are not sufficiently generous to attract the right men in adequate numbers.

Volunteers and Medals.

The question of the right of a Volunteer to wear the Queen's Jubilee medal, raised in the case of a member of the London Scottish Rifles, has been decided on appeal to the Lord Chamberlain. The decision (which will govern all similar cases) is intimated in the following letter:—

'I am desirous by the Lord Chamberlain to inform you that Private—7th Middlesex V.R.C., has a perfect right to wear the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Commemorative medal on his regimental uniform, and that he should wear it on the left breast. If he possesses a war medal, the Jubilee medal should be worn next to it, but on the immediate right of it.'

Presentation to Rev E. H. Good.

Last night, in the Kowloon Depot, a presentation was made to Rev. E. H. Good, R.N., by the congregation attending the Sunday evening services there, on the occasion of his approaching departure for home. Mr. C. F. Parsons presided, and in presenting Mr. Good with a silver inkstand and silver penholder of Chinese design, said:—

'Mr. Good, the congregation of the Kowloon Depot, whose numbers have been increased by your general kindness and perseverance in the work, are desirous, on your leaving the Colony, of presenting you with a small token of their appreciation, and beg you to accept a silver inkstand and penholder, which, they hope, will occasionally refer you back to the time you spent with us. Further, we all wish you every prosperity and happiness in the high calling to which you have devoted your life.'

Good replied in feeling terms, and thanked the congregation for their thoughtful gift, which he would cherish because of the associations it would recall. We understand that Mr. Good, who has been exceedingly popular in all circles during his stay in the Colony, sails by the Tamen on Monday for Australia and New Zealand before returning to England.

Pinnafire.

The Pollards appeared in H.M.S. Pinnafire this afternoon. The counter attraction at Happy Valley kept many patrons away, but the children gave a fine performance of the opera. Pinnafire was really written before the Sorecerer, although that score with its bassoon joke was the first to win over British audiences to the favour of the author of The Yarn of the Nancy Bell and the composer of the Lost Chord. Like Patience and the Pirates, Pinnafire achieved its success more through the comical styles of George Grossmith and the Billingtons, who created so many of the Gilbert and Sullivan parts, than through any other circumstance; but although musically it is not to be compared with the Mikado, or the Yeoman of the Guard, it has a good deal of dramatic merit. Its fault is that it was a temporary satire, primarily a skit upon Mr. W. H. Smith, who was the butt of 'Stick to your desk and never go to sea.' That was Gilbert's cardinal sin, just as it was Byron's. He hit out straight at all outside his personal circle, and thus his works will suffer in lack of real appreciation as the years roll on. But the music will always be entertaining. A crowded house is certain for to-night, all the reserved seats being booked.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Ceylon Planter Murdered.

Colombo exchanges report the murder, on the 27th ult., of Mr. Reginald Glanville, a planter at Nawalapitiya. He was stabbed about the face and body. Some of his servants were taken into custody on suspicion.

Tide Tables.

We would draw the attention of our nautical readers to an alteration made this year in the official tide tables. It consists of lowering the datum or zero to which the heights of the tides are referred 2 ft. 3 ins., and should be a convenience in that it almost abolishes minus quantities.

Tit-bits in Art.

Two tit-bits in Japanese art appear for the present at Messrs. Kuhn and Komor's, Queen's Road Central. They are a handsome black dog and a lion and lioness in two pictures. At first sight one would fancy that they were Landseers, so true to life is the depiction. But they are not, nor are they from any brush but of the needle of a skilled disciple of embroidery. They are exhibits for Osaka, but they are on sale during the few days which will elapse between now and their departure for the exhibition.

Journalist v. Beachcomber.

Thus says a Singapore contemporary:—

Hongkong is threatened by beachcombers, and Singapore is not altogether free from them. The other evening a representative of the Straits Times with a couple of friends, was called upon by one of the fraternity who said he, 'hadn't had no supper an' 'a 'tint got no friends.' Upon our representative's saying (journalist-like) that he hadn't a pie about him, the gentleman of the road declared that he would 'make it warm for him.' No policeman was in sight and the 'gentleman of the road' got somewhat roughly handled as a consequence.

Death from Smallpox.

The Times of Ceylon reports the death, from malignant smallpox, at Baroda in India, of Mrs. E. Louise Crosby, of New York City, who was on a Durbar visit to India. She had been in the Far East before, and had written a small book entitled 'Leaves from the Orient'. She was on her way from Delhi to Bombay and Ceylon; but stopped over for a day at Baroda to see the palace, and there the malady rapidly developed. She received a Christian burial in the cemetery of the British Cantonment. Mrs. Crosby was a widow of about 55 years of age, and was travelling alone. During the past three years she had chiefly resided in Paris.

Dr. Pentecost.

Dr. Pentecost's sermons in Manila have in them much to arouse and impress, to stimulate thought and to carry conviction. The following passage must, we think, have struck home to an audience of American citizens proud of their country, and destined to represent in its new and thriving colony the forces that have made for purity and righteousness in the Mother Country:—

'Fifty years ago, the preaching of what has been called "the Higher Law," which was in effect only the public appeal from the technical law of the land to the law of God, aroused the conscience of the American people against the institution of human slavery, and that institution, in spite of the fact that it was entrenched behind the Constitution, the social aristocracy of the South, and the vast wealth which it represented, and the gigantic rebellion organized in its defence, went down in a sea of blood such as the world had never before seen. This campaign of the Protestant conscience of America cost the nation a million human lives, untold treasure and five years of internecine strife, the contemplation of which more than "staggers humanity." This same Protestant conscience, voicing itself from pulpit and platform and through the public press has attacked and has finally destroyed the other twin vice of barbarism—polygamy. Only two years ago, when a Mormon Representative from Utah, formally and duly elected, presented himself in the halls of Congress to take his seat, he was challenged at the very doors, not because there was any flaw in his credentials, but because he came an avowed polygamist—thus outraging in his person and presence the sacred institution of family life. The time was, in memory, when it was not uncommon occurrence for a United States Senator to appear drunk in his seat, and no protest was made; but within fifty years past so aroused has become the Protestant conscience that it would not be possible for an habitual drunkard to hold his seat in the National Congress nor office in the great departments of the Government.'

ANOKIA. 'Oh, dear, the diamond in my engagement ring has got a flaw in it. Edwin: "Take no notice; darling, love should be blind you know." Angelina: 'Yes; but it hasn't got to be stone blind.'

WHAT IS A COUGH?

A spasmodic effort to expel the mucus from the bronchial tubes. A cold, and when the lungs and bronchial tubes are inflamed, they are extremely sensitive to the irritation. Unless care is taken, the cold may result in pneumonia, which is swift and deadly. If the cold is a lingering one, the more leisurely but equally fatal consumption may set in. Do not neglect a cold or cough. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by all Dealers: Watson's Ltd., General Agents.

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Pentecost Meetings.

We understand that Dr. Pentecost's appointments for to-morrow are as follows:—

11 a.m. Union Church.

8 p.m. City Hall.

Killed Whilst Blasting.

A coolie was killed whilst blasting was going on at Quarry Bay yesterday evening. He was in a mangled when a big stone hurled through the roof, and almost decapitated him.

Football Shield Tie.

The football shield tie between 'G' Company, Sherwood Foresters, and H.M.S. Argonaut was played at the Happy Valley yesterday, and resulted in a win for the Argonauts by 2 goals to 1.

Fire in Gage Street.

A fire, involving damage to the extent of \$400, occurred at 27, Gage Street, this morning. It originated through a faulty fuse, and the Fire Brigade just succeeded in extinguishing it before it had a chance of spreading. The damage is covered by insurance.

Masonic.

A Convocation of the Amoy Chapter, No. 1781, was held on the 10th inst., when the principals and officers were installed as follows for the year:—

B. Nicholls M. E. L.

A. Jensen H.

J. G. Gutz J.

H. Rathurst Scribe E.

W. Kruse Scribe N.

H. Cronkley 1st A. S.

C. Johnson 2nd A. S.

J. Saunders Treasurer.

C. Wood Janitor.

The Run on Imperial Bank.

The run on the Imperial Bank of China, in consequence of the number of forged notes known to be in existence, continued yesterday, says the N.-O. Daily News of 7th inst. The police authorities had anticipated it, and about 15 extra constables were on duty all day. When the gates were opened, a number of Chinese, who had congregated outside, made a rush for the door and had to be kept back by force. The mob, however, consisted mostly of loafers, and no arrests were made. In order to prevent further confusion the gates were kept closed for the rest of the day, and only such Chinese as had notes to change were allowed admittance. The bank staff were kept busy all day redeeming notes. On the 9th inst., our contemporary reports:—

'Although it has not been the custom of the above-named Bank to open its doors to business on Sundays, yet, in view of the run upon it by holders of notes of the Bank and to give confidence to the public, the doors were kept open yesterday as on week days, in order to enable anxious holders to cash their notes. Up to Saturday afternoon, it is stated that no less than \$500,000 worth of its notes have been redeemed by the Bank, which has funds in cash to redeem a million dollars' worth more if called upon to do so. It is further stated that when it became certain that a run on the Bank was imminent, Sheng Kungpak, who is the Chief Director of the concern, at once procured \$700,000 in cash for the Bank, and on the third day the Bank vaults were replenished by a similar amount. Forged notes were, however, rejected by the Bank, whose officials merely impressed a certain chop on the counterfeit when presented, with the advice that the holders should keep them and await the result of the investigations that were being made into the matter.'

Charge Against a Shipmaster.

At Singapore on the 4th inst., before a Bench Court consisting of Messrs. Michel and Wilson, Abu Bakar, late master of the Boon San II, was charged under Section 680 of the Imperial Merchant Shipping with the steamer Kian Yang, in the Straits Act of 1894, that he being the master of the British steamer Boon San II which collided of Malacca, did, without reasonable cause, fail to render such assistance as was practicable or necessary to save the master, passengers, and crew of the Kian Yang from danger caused by the collision, and did fail to stand by the other vessel until he had ascertained she had no further need of assistance. Mr. Innes conducted the prosecution, and Mr. Emerson appeared for Abu Bakar, who claimed to be tried. Mr. Innes in opening the case said the Kian Yang left Muar bound for Singapore, and while in the Straits of Malacca she collided with the Boon San II. The collision was disastrous to the Kian Yang, which sank within ten minutes of the occurrence, and only a few of the passengers and crew were saved. Immediately after the collision the Boon San II steamed off to Pulau Pisang, and her boats removed part of her passengers to the shore. In conclusion, Mr. Innes said it might be put forward that the Boon San II was seriously injured, but the evidence would show that she was caulked in a short time and the same morning steamed to Johore, a six hours' journey. Several witnesses, survivors of the disaster, then gave evidence for the prosecution similar to that given at the Marine Inquiry. Mr. Richards, foreman of the Shipwreck Jury, gave evidence that the Boon San II was not badly injured, and after the caulking of the leaky seams could have returned without danger to the scene of the disaster. The further hearing of the case was then postponed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE VENEZUELA DISPUTE.

London, February 12, 1903.

Mr. Bowen has accepted the British proposal, agreeing to pay Great Britain £8,600 down and to refer the question of preferential treatment to the Hague tribunal. The German and Italian protocols are still causing some difficulty.

THE VENEZUELA QUESTION.

LATER.

The allies have agreed that all three protocols shall be signed simultaneously, none anticipating the other. The other claimants will appear before the Hague tribunal as one Power.

THE NEAR EAST.

Grave uneasiness is felt in Vienna, owing to a report that Bulgaria contemplates mobilising two Army Corps in consequence of the massing of Turkish troops on the frontier.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

The Washington Senate has ratified a treaty providing for three jurists, on each side to settle the Alaskan boundary dispute with Great Britain.

THE VENEZUELA CLAIMS.

LATER.

Germany has waived her demand for a cash payment of £28,000 and accepted Baron Speck von Sternburg's proposal that the amount be paid to five monthly instalments.

THE NEAR EAST.

Fourteen battalions of the Turkish Redifs at the headquarters at Salonika have been called out, ostensibly to replace fourteen battalions called out in the autumn.

CLERICAL.

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Winchester has been enthroned at Canterbury as Archbishop and Primate of All England.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

At the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Hongkong Rifle Association to be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday, 20th inst., at 5 o'clock p.m., the following report will be submitted:—

The Association carries forward from last year a fair balance, but it is to be noted with regret that the Membership has somewhat declined.

The Weekly Competitions have not been so well attended as in previous years. The amount on the Expenditure side under this heading includes some accounts for 1901 not received when the accounts were made up.

Both the Long Range and Short Range Subscription Cups were won during the year by Mr. D. Baldwin, who also took the Championship at the Easter Meeting. Mr. J. Fawcett won the Nursery Cup.

In the Inter-Club Match Hongkong dropped to third place. The Scores were:—Shanghai 226, Singapore 233, Hongkong 275, and Penang 731.

The Association again entered a Team for the Imperial Challenge Match, which was fired for the first time under the new Rules as regards Targets, etc., which no doubt in part accounts for the poor scores made as compared with the previous year, 1902, against 1903. The result of the Match has not yet reached us. Hongkong took fifth place in 1901.

The Committee desires to record its thanks to the following who so kindly contributed to the Easter Meeting Prize Fund:—H.E. May, General, Glasgow; K.C.M.G. Vice-Admiral Sir Cyrran Bridge, K.C.B., Rear-Admiral Grenfell, O.M.G., Commodore Powell, O.B., Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Sir Thomas Jackson, Messrs. W. B. Dixon, J. J. Ball, Irving, H. N. Mody, W. Wilson, the late D. Gillies, The Hongkong Dock Co., Staff, Messrs. Gaupp & Co., Falconer & Co., Kelly and Walsh, Brewer & Co., Lane, Crawford & Co., Kuhn and Komor, Kruse & Co., Lock Hing, Wang Hing.

Churchgoing.

Here is a story that even a Venerable Ancestor might tell during dinner, without a blush:—A few years ago, says the Liverpool Post, when it was unusual to pay for Christmas Day, a gentleman in the West of England, who employed a large number of hands in his manufactory, in order to encourage his workpeople in a due attendance at church on Christmas Day, told them that if they attended the service they would receive their wages for that day the same as if they had been at work. The workmen upon being informed of this appointment a deputation to acquaint their employer that 'if he would pay them for overtime, they would likewise attend the Methodist Chapel in the evening.'

A YANKEE paper describing the localities of three prominent institutions of a town in the States, says:—'The medical college is on the road to the cemetery, the divinity college on the road to the poor-house, and the law school on the road to the goal.'

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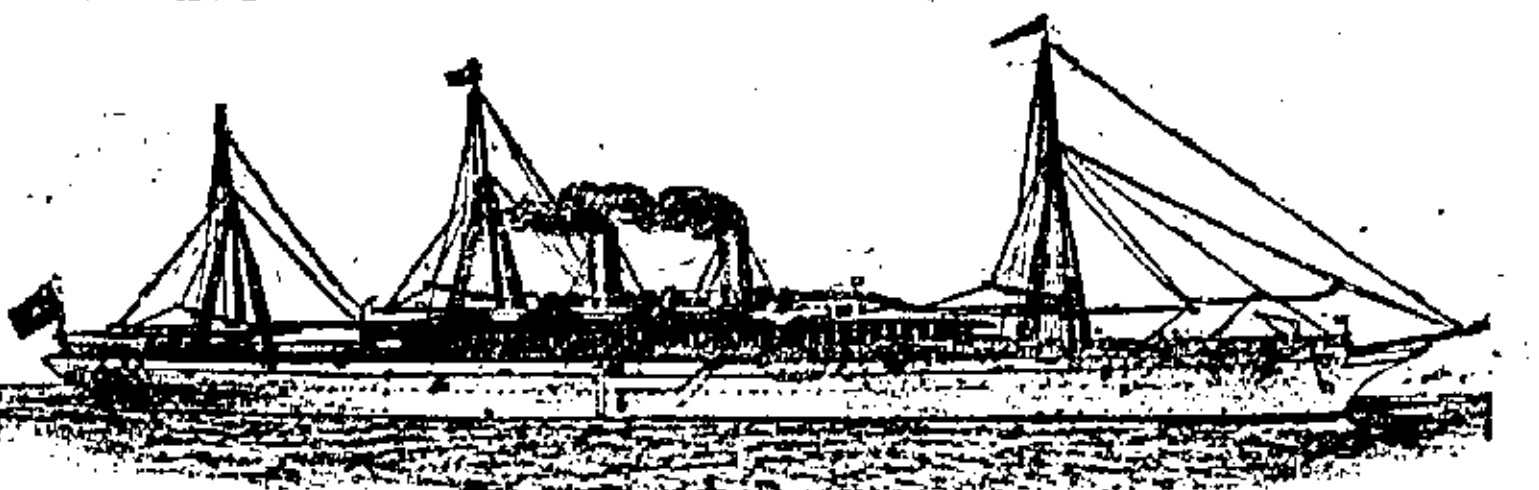
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Hongkong, 13th February, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers Destinations Sailing Dates

KAMAKURA MARU, H. PETERSEN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FRIDAY, 18th Feb., at Daylight.

SANDUKI MARU, W. TOWNSEND, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID, SATURDAY, 21st Feb., at Daylight.

HYO MARU, C. H. BUTLER, VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, TUESDAY, 24th Feb., at 4 p.m.

KAGOSHIMA MARU, K. KORI, BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO, TUESDAY, 24th Feb., at Noon.

BOMBAY MARU, T. MURAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, TUESDAY, 24th Feb., at Noon.

KUMANO MARU, E. W. BLAWELL, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FRIDAY, 27th Feb., at Noon.

INABA MARU, W. BAINBRIDGE, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FRIDAY, 27th Feb., at Daylight.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Round the World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

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A. S. Mihara, Manager

Hongkong, February 10, 1903.

Shipping.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NESTOR	20th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	19th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KENTUCK	25th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCOS	6th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PINGOUIN	11th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	OANPA	21st March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	17th February.
LONDON, via GENOA	DIOMED	3rd March.
LONDON	MACHAON	17th March.
LONDON	PINGOUIN	31st March.
LONDON	PINGOUIN	14th April.

The S. S. PROMETHEUS left Shanghai on the 13th inst., a.m. and is due here on the 16th inst.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.

(Taking Cargo at London Rates.)

LIVERPOOL.....DARDANUS.....21st February.

LIVERPOOL.....KENTUCK.....20th March.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.

MARSEILLES & ANTWERP.....PYRRIUS.....28th February.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, and TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, February 14, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

MANILA.....THESAN.....16th February.

SHANGHAI.....PAOTING.....17th February.

PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.....THESAN * 18th February.

TIENTSIN.....NANCHANG.....20th February.

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† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/AMSTERDAM.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Sailing Dates.

STUTTGART * ... WEDNESDAY, 18th Feb., 1903.

PREUSSEN * ... WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1903.

HAMBURG * ... WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1903.

PRINZ HEINRICH * ... WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.

SACHSEN * ... WEDNESDAY, 15th April, 1903.

KATYUSCHOU * ... WEDNESDAY, 29th April, 1903.

BAYERN * ... WEDNESDAY, 13th May, 1903.

RUON * ... WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1903.

PRINZ REG. LUITPOLD * ... THURSDAY, 11th June, 1903.

GNEISENAU * ... THURSDAY, 25th June, 1903.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

† Calling at Amsterdam.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of February, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship STUTTGART, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain P. Gnosch, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on Monday, the 16th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 6 p.m. on Tuesday, the 17th Feb., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Tuesday, the 17th Feb.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewards.

Linen can be washed on-board.

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA

IN CONNECTION WITH

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Steamers Tons Captains 1902.

SHAWMUT * 9600 W. M. Smith Feb. 25.

LYRA * 4417 W. Williams March 10.

VICTORIA * 3502 J. Panton March 17.

HYADES * 3763 G. Wright March 24.

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

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Hongkong, February 10, 1903.

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WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE

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FOR STEAMSHIP CAPTAIN DATE.

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YMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, N'KI AND KOBE.....E. G. ANDREWS.....About 22nd Feb.

LONDON & Co. Bengal.....A. L. VALENTINI.....Noon, 28th Feb.

SHANGHAI.....Valenta.....W. B. PALMER, R.N.R.....28th February.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1903.

For MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH and LONDON DIRECT.....Maita.....8,084 Tons.....28th March.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, February 14, 1903.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STEAMERS LEAVING

TAMSU, via SWATOW AND AMOY, DAIJIN MARU, SUNDAY, 15th Feb.

ANPING, via SWATOW AND AMOY, MALDZURU MARU, WEDNESDAY, 18th Feb.

TAMSU, via SWATOW AND AMOY, DAIJI MARU, SUNDAY, 22nd Feb.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried.

All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest at Lloyd's.

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T. ARIMA, MANAGER.

Hongkong, February 11, 1903.

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Hongkong to SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via usual Australian Ports of Call.

Saloon passengers carried at SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

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Superior accommodation amidships—Electric Light throughout—Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of ice and provisions during the entire voyage—Duly qualified European Surgeons carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

Hongkong, February 6, 1903.

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This steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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Hongkong, February 11, 1903.

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TAIWAN, &c.)

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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

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Hongkong, February 14, 1903.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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